

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-21 (Cancelled).

Claim 22 (Previously Presented): A pipe for carrying gas and/or fluid,

- having a supporting body (2) which consists of a relatively rigid first plastic and has one recess (6) or multiple recesses (6) which pass through the supporting body (2) across the longitudinal direction (7) and are arranged so that the supporting body (2) is flexible in a longitudinal section (8) that is provided with the recess (6) or the recesses (6) and withstands compressive forces acting on the inside and/or outside of the pipe (1) during use of said pipe,
- having a membrane (3) consisting of a relatively soft flexible second plastic arranged on the supporting body (2) so that it seals the recess (6) or recesses (6) and transmits the compressive forces acting on the membrane (3) during use of the pipe (1) to the supporting body (2),

- the membrane (3) is integrally molded on the supporting body (2) or vice versa, wherein,
 - the membrane (3) sheaths the supporting body (2) completely on the inside and/or outside at least in the area of the flexible longitudinal section,
 - the pipe (1) has two end sections (13, 14) designed as connections, each section being formed by a section (15, 16) of the supporting body (2) that is closed on the circumference, with at least one flexible longitudinal section (8) of the supporting body (2) being arranged between them;

wherein the recesses (6) are arranged in the flexible longitudinal section (8) of the supporting body (2) so that the supporting body (2) remaining in the flexible longitudinal section (8) has rings (9) arranged coaxially with the longitudinal direction (7) of the pipe (1) and side-by-side in the longitudinal direction,

adjacent rings (9) are joined together by only two webs (10) that are diametrically opposed,

with each ring (9) that is arranged between two neighboring rings (9), the only two webs (10) that are connected to the one neighboring ring (9) are arranged so they are offset by 90° with respect to the only two webs (10) connected to the other neighboring ring (9).

Claim 23. (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22,

wherein the membrane (3) is joined to the supporting body (2) in a form-fitting and/or integrally bonded manner.

Claim 24. (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22, wherein

- the supporting body (2) is an injection-molded part produced in one step, and/or
- the membrane (3) is an injection-molded part produced in one step.

Claim 25. (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22,

wherein the recesses (6) are distributed along the pipe (1) in such a way that the supporting body (2) has two or more flexible longitudinal sections (8), between which the supporting body (2) has a section that is closed on the circumference.

Claim 26. (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22,

wherein a gasket (17) made of the second plastic is

mounted on at least one of the end sections (15, 16) made from the first plastic.

Claim 27. (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22,

wherein at least one gasket (18) is integrally molded on the membrane (3).

Claim 28. (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22,

wherein at least one connection on the end or side is integrally molded on the supporting body (2), said connection having a gasket made of the second plastic.

Claim 29. (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22, wherein

- the membrane (3) is designed in one piece, and
- the supporting body (2) is designed in one piece.

Claim 30. (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22,

wherein the pipe (1) is a suction pipe situated in the intake tract of an internal combustion engine.

Claim 31 (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22,

wherein the recesses (6) are arranged in the flexible longitudinal section (8) of the supporting body (2), so that the supporting body (2) which remains in the flexible longitudinal section (8) forms a cardanically flexible skeleton.

Claim 32. (Cancelled).

Claim 33. (Cancelled).

Claim 34. (Cancelled).

Claim 35. (Previously Presented). The pipe according to Claim 22, wherein

- the membrane (3) is designed to be gas-permeable, or
- the membrane (3) is designed to be airtight and tightly seals the recess (6) or recesses (6).

Claim 36 (New): A pipe for carrying gas and/or fluid,

- having a supporting body (2) which consists of a relatively rigid first plastic and has one recess (6) or multiple recesses (6) which pass through the

supporting body (2) across the longitudinal direction (7) and are arranged so that the supporting body (2) is flexible in a longitudinal section (8) that is provided with the recess (6) or the recesses (6) and withstands compressive forces acting on the inside and/or outside of the pipe (1) during use of said pipe,

- having a membrane (3) consisting of a relatively soft flexible second plastic arranged on the supporting body (2) so that it seals the recess (6) or recesses (6) and transmits the compressive forces acting on the membrane (3) during use of the pipe (1) to the supporting body (2),
- the membrane (3) is integrally molded on the supporting body (2) or vice versa, wherein,
- the membrane (3) sheaths the supporting body (2) completely on the inside and/or outside at least in the area of the flexible longitudinal section,
- the pipe (1) has two end sections (13, 14) designed as connections, each section being formed by a section (15, 16) of the supporting body (2) that is closed on the circumference, with at least one flexible longitudinal section (8) of the supporting body (2) being arranged between them;

wherein the recesses (6) are arranged in the flexible

longitudinal section (8) of the supporting body (2) so that the supporting body (2) remaining in the flexible longitudinal section (8) has rings (9) arranged coaxially with the longitudinal direction (7) of the pipe (1) and side-by-side in the longitudinal direction,

adjacent rings (9) are joined together by successive pairs of two webs (10) that are diametrically opposed,

with each ring (9) that is arranged between two neighboring rings (9), the successive pairs of two webs (10) that are connected to the one neighboring ring (9) are arranged so they are offset by 90° with respect to the successive pairs of two webs (10) connected to the other neighboring ring (9).